GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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OCCUPATION OF LAND BY ARMY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Army has occupied a plot of land belonging to Kakapathar College in the Tinsukia district of Assam and is also running a transit camp of 11th Gorkha regiment adjacent to the college premises thereby jeopardizing the academic environment of the said college for the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this camp is likely to be closed?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): The ground lying vacant and adjacent to Kakapathar College in the Tinsukia district of Assam is occupied by part of 7/11 Gorkha Rifles, with the permission of the Principal of the College. The deployment of Battalion Head Quarters of 7/11 Gorkha Rifles is due to operational necessity. No exact time frame for vacation of the above ground by the Army can be given at this stage.